

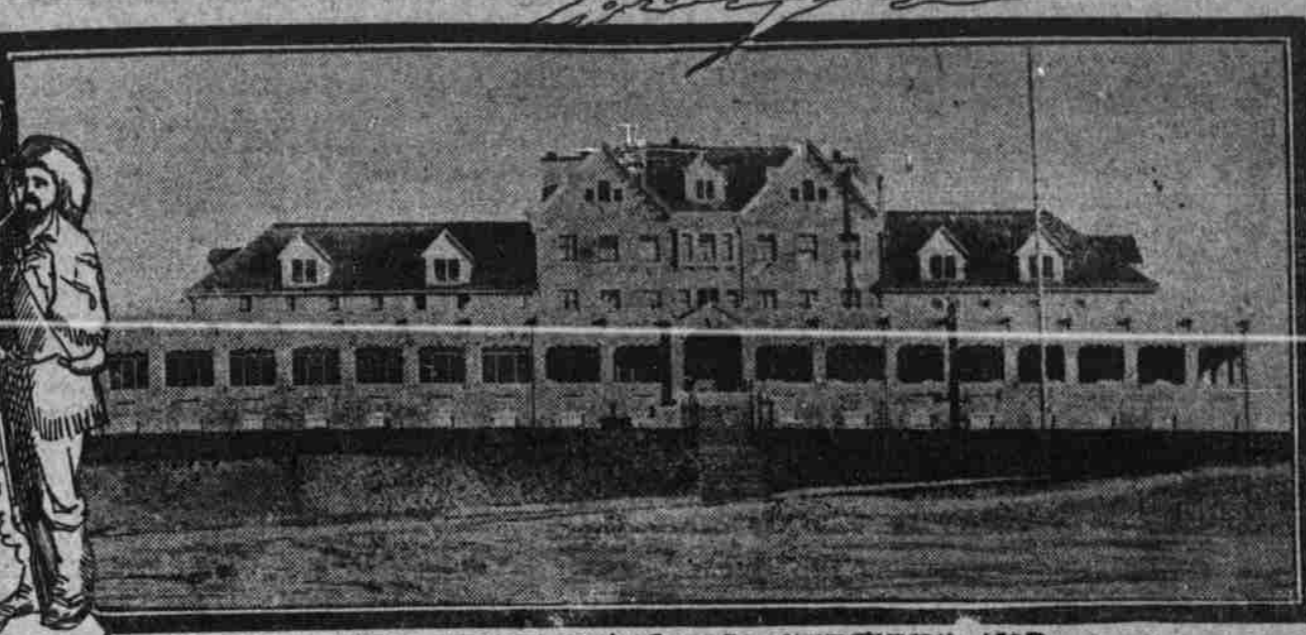
Oregon Getting Ready for ASTORIA'S Centennial



ASTORIA OREGON



AIRSHIPS FLY OVER LAND AND SEA.



GEARHART HOTEL WHERE THE ASTORIA CENTENNIAL HOP AND RECEPTION TO DISTINGUISHED GUESTS IS TO BE HELD



AUTO RACES ON GEARHART BEACH TO BE A FEATURE OF ASTORIA CENTENNIAL

Notice of Street Improvement.
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, on the 9th day of February, 1910, creating Improvement District No. 20, and designating Elm street as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 19th day of April, 1911, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Elm street, in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon bitulithic pavement, the council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Elm street, from the north line of Washington avenue, to the south curb line of Jefferson avenue.

(A) And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows: All the property in the east 1-2 of blocks 106 and 113 and all the property in the west 1-2 of blocks 107 and 112, all in Chaplin's addition to La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby further given that the council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement is the sum of \$6,300.00. That the council will on the 10th day of May, 1911, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, April 27th, 1911.
 CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE, OREGON.

Recorder of the city of La Grande, Ore.
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"Read in Sunset Magazine, Motoring Through California by Lloyd Osborne, beautifully illustrated in four colors. The Spell, a romantic serial by C. N. A. M. Williamson. In the Shadow of the Dragon by Grant Carpenter. Descriptive story of San Francisco's Chinese quarters. April issue now on sale 15 cents." 60¢

two hour entertainment. This entertainment will be builded upon the water and is to be one of the big features of the centennial. It is the first time that any big fireworks spectacle has ever been attempted upon the water but the development of the fireworks business is such now that success is assured.

Eight different conventions will be in session during the centennial celebration including the school teachers state institute to which national educators have been invited for a week. The teachers will have a school exhibit and discuss educational matters of today and a century ago. It is a big feature and numerous social features are planned for the entertainment of the teachers who will attend the convention. As it is an official state affair all the teachers of the state will be compelled to attend unless prevented by sickness so that it is bound to be a representative meeting of educators.

Specialy interesting will be the opportunity for visitors to witness the fishing for salmon at Astoria. There are more than 3,000 salmon fishing craft at Astoria and the salmon fishing season will be opened until August 25 allowing the visitors to see how the mighty salmon is caught and canned. These monsters weigh as much as 70 pounds and average about 20 pounds each. Salmon which weigh 40 pounds are numerous and it is an excellent opportunity to see how millions are made out of the salmon catch every year.

Altogether, the Astoria centennial is to be a fitting climax to 100 years of prosperity which has come from the founding of this city by the sea by a trading party sent from New York by John Jacob Astor.

(By John Day.)

Astoria, Ore., May 6.—An even hundred years ago April 12, 1811—the good ship Tonquin, owned by John Jacob Astor, sailed into the mouth of the Columbia river, rode over the bar and anchored ten miles up the river in a cove opposite what has now become Astoria. The Tonquin brought the first white man to the great Oregon country which at that time embraced all the land from the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho have since been carved.

It is in celebration of this settlement that the Astoria Centennial was projected. The pageant will be opened with simple ceremonies on August 9. The public opening will be the following day and the Centennial will continue for 9 days, or until September 9.

The legislature of the state of Oregon appropriated \$50,000 toward the expense of the Centennial. Clatsop county made a special tax levy which brought \$25,000 additional funds to the committee; Col. John Jacob Astor of New York city, donated \$10,000 to the cause and the business men of Astoria contributed \$50,000. Additional subscriptions from the transportation companies and Portland business men have brought the available sinews of war up to \$150,000.

This centennial celebration is the only official exposition on the Pacific

coast this year and offers the following attractions:

Pacific coast motor speed boat regatta with \$12,000 in cash prizes lasting one week—September 4 to September 8 inclusive. At this regatta the free-for-all championship will be decided and \$5,000 is the prize money for this one event alone. Practically every coast city will enter a boat and craft will be entered from Peoria, Ill., and several boats are expected from the Atlantic seaboard. The displacement boat championship will also be decided at this regatta as will supremacy in the fishing craft classes, sail rigged hulls, sculling contests, tub races, canoe races between various Indian tribes of the northwest and such features as are usual at western regatta tournaments. The management of the regatta is in charge of the Astoria Motor Boat club, affiliated with the Pacific Coast International Motor Boat association, the officers of which will direct the contests.

Glenn Curtiss will have an aeroplane and a hydro-aeroplane exhibition lasting four days of the third week of the celebration. Mr. Curtiss is under contract to fly over land, seas and rivers, starting from the surface of the Columbia river, running at a speed of at least 35 miles an hour down to the mouth of the Columbia river, rising from the water without

mechanical aid, circle over the beach to the Gearhart hotel and return to the starting point flying in the air overland.

From the opening of the centennial to the close, there will be two fleets of battleships in the harbor, one detained by the United States government and one from the pick of the British squadron. In addition the South American republics and China and Japan have promised to detail battleships to the scene of the centennial and participate in land and marine pageants.

The Gearhart hotel has been selected as the scene of the great naval hop which will be given in honor of the officers of the various battleships. The Gearhart hotel is within a short distance of Astoria and right on the Pacific ocean. It is an ideal place for social functions and the centennial committee will have many social functions at this hotel.

General Finzer, head of the Oregon national guard, has decided upon Astoria for the scene of the annual summer encampment of the Oregon national guard during the continuance of the Astoria centennial. Necessary arrangements are now being made by General Finzer and his staff to work out the details of the encampment and the United States war department has ordered the artillerymen of the militia to report to the forts adjacent to Astoria for annual target practice during the centennial.

Officers from the national guard of the various states will be invited to participate in the evolutions and observe the work of the combined national guard and the United States regulars who will be assigned to Astoria for war practice.

Gearhart beach, the scene of the big coast automobile race meets annually will be the mecca for the motor car speed experts during the celebration. The beach is wide and miles in length so that all the races will be straight away heats allowing the best possible time. Washed by the ocean tides until the sand is packed as hard as stone this beach offers ideal advantages for motor car speed contests and arrange-

ments have been perfected for a carnival of speed merchants which will include all the top notchers in the profession. This meet will be in charge of the Automobile club of Portland and the northwest and will be officially sanctioned.

The Oregon Development league has selected Astoria as the meeting place for the annual convention of the 118 cities holding membership in the league. C. C. Chapman, manager of the promotion bureau of the Portland Commercial club is secretary of the Oregon Development league and he has already perfected the program for the convention which will decide upon the policy to be followed in the development of Oregon for the next year to come.

"Early Days of Astoria, or The Destruction of the Tonquin" is the title of a pyrotechnical display which will be offered as a night feature of entertainment during the centennial. This pageant will have a ballet of 200 foreign vaudiville artists and numerous special features to complete a

